

Ark Radio

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Ark Chamberlain
Primary Academy

Celebration Assembly

A child from each class will be celebrated at a special assembly each week. This will be a child who has shown fantastic understanding of our school pledge throughout their week: respect, believe, achieve.

Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter



Attendance

It is important that your child attends school every day. If they are absent, please make sure that you inform the school immediately.

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Homework

English and maths homework is handed out on Fridays and must be completed and handed in by the following Wednesday. Spellings will be learnt throughout the week and can be practised throughout the week as homework. Grammar and handwriting homework will be provided where necessary. Please ensure homework is completed.

Key dates for your diary

PE is every Thursday with occasional slots on Monday as well.

Homework is given every Friday, to be returned completed the following Wednesday.

Meetings and appointments

We are always happy to talk to you about your child's progress and well-being. Our busiest times of the day are at the start when children are arriving and at the end when we are ensuring that the children are dismissed safely. If you would like to speak to us outside of those times, please make an appointment at reception.



Welcome to Year 5

We hope you had a fantastic summer break and are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

Our topic this half-term is
ANCIENT GREEKS.

This booklet will explain what your child will be learning over the coming weeks and how you can support their progress.

Writing

All of the children's writing this term will focus around the fantastic book *Black Ships Before Troy*. They will be producing a fiction and non-fiction piece of writing. Spellings will be learnt each day - please take some time to practice these with them

Maths

In Maths this half term our main focus is number, this will start by looking in depth at place value of whole numbers and decimals. We will then move onto using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve problems. Please practice times tables.

Reading

Year 5 have 1 hour of Reading each day. In this time, they will read as a class and have time to work on reading comprehensions independently. Library and home reading books will be changed each Thursday. Diaries include reading logs, they should be reading at home every day.

Religious Education

Our religious education focus this half-term is to understand marriages of different beliefs and practices

Science

This is an exciting start to the school year with the children learning about Earth and Space. They will also use our amazing science laboratory. They will be learning about some important scientists and the exciting career opportunities that are out there for scientists



Music

It is a very exciting time at Ark Chamberlain this academic year as a brand-new music room, equipped with resources, has been made available for the children in all years to use. This term year 5 will be studying percussion. During the topic children will learn how to play different styles of music on the chime bars along with listening skills and basic reading of notation.

Grammar and Punctuation

This term we will be focusing on tenses, fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases. Children are advised to practice their grammar and punctuation at home.

Topic

Several topic lessons will begin with a Wow session—hopefully these will be a surprise for the children and ensure they are fully engaged in the new learning

Physical Education

Firstly, pupils will be learning to become brilliant basketballers. Having developed their dribbling skills and shooting three pointers, pupils will be moving onto more complicated concepts such as the three-man weave. You can support your child by encouraging them to join a lunch time or after school club, turning their X-box off and encouraging them to play, and making sure they have full PE kit every Monday!!

Art

Year 5 are sketching and drawing mythological creatures. This creative art will help them make links with their Writing and Reading.